

To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am returning Assembly Bill 656 (Hancock) without my signature.

While I support the work of School Attendance Review Boards (SARB) to address the needs of students with serious school attendance and behavior problems, this bill is unnecessary. Nothing in current law precludes a SARB from including in its rules and regulations a provision for the submission of any recommendation of the Board to appropriate school district personnel.

For this reason, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger